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February 3, 2009

Dear Sir:

Sir or Madam:

In response to the January 6, 2009 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant's representative contacted Examiner Barrera on January 15, 2009. During the telephone interview Examiner Barrera agreed to withdraw the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, examine the claims and indicated to the Applicant's representative that he would issue a new Office Action.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Fitzpatrick, at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

Respectfully submitted,

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